

## WHO DID THE SHOOTING? POLICE PUZZLED.

Atlanta, Ga., March 7.—When a man, lying in his own bed in his own home, is shot and seriously wounded, and the police come, and find the man's bedroom door locked on the outside, and the man's wife, who was in the bedroom in the morning, is found to have taken a sudden trip out of the city, who did the shooting?

That is the problem with which the Atlanta police are struggling with today, following the discovery of Eugene H. Grace, dying from loss of blood, yesterday afternoon.

The problem is further complicated by this question:

If a man first says he was shot by his wife, and then, after seeing his wife, changes his mind, and says that he must have been delirious when he said anything like that, and that a burglar did the shooting, is the man to be regarded as one who habitually tells the truth?

Eugene H. Grace is a wealthy contractor. He married the present Mrs. Grace less than one year ago. She was then the widow of William H. Opie, wealthy Philadelphia pulp manufacturer.

Late yesterday afternoon, Grace himself telephone from his own room to police headquarters.

"This is Eugene H. Grace," he said. "I am at my own home. I have been shot, and I think I'm dying. Send a man up here."

Police headquarters sent three

men up. They found the Grace home apparently deserted. Then they heard Grace's voice calling to them to direct them.

Then came to a door they found locked.

"This is the door," said the voice inside. "It's locked on the outside, but I think the key is there. Use it and come in."

The key was there, and the police used it, and came into the room. Grace was lying in bed. There was blood all over the bed. A very superficial examination showed that Grace's wound was serious. The bullet had entered his left side and lodged close to the spinal cord.

"Who did this?" asked a detective.

"My wife," said Grace.

Then Grace was removed to St. Joseph's hospital, where it was discovered that the shooting must have taken place early in the morning. Physicians now say Grace has slight chance of recovery. Even if he does not die, he will be paralyzed for life.

The police discovered that Mrs. Grace had left the city. They found where she was, and telephoned her of her husband's shooting.

"I'll come right home," she said, and did so.

When Mrs. Grace arrived in Atlanta, she was arrested, and became very indignant. She said it must have been a burglar who shot her husband, and asked permission to see him. This was granted.

After she had seen her hus-